

NEW SENSATIONAL RUMORS ENTER HOYNE'S PROBE OF THE "BABY FARMS"

Two new sensational rumors entered into the state's attorney's probe into the "baby farms" today. One had its origin in the search for a millionaire daughter, who is said to have become the mother of a baby in a "farm" at Oak Park.

The other sensation was the discovery of evidence tending to show the existence of a "baby farm" syndicate, with a staff of doctors and midwives, who made a specialty of dealing with unmarried mothers.

The cases against Dr. Thomas Balhatchett, Mrs. Annie Mills, Mrs. Jessie Rudeen and Miss Mary Patterson, who were arrested following the death of "Jacob" at the "house of mystery," 6108 Blackstone avenue, were called in the Court of Domestic Relations this morning and transferred to Chief Justice Olson for re-assignment.

Asst State's Att'y Eugene O'Reilly is co-operating with the police in an effort to find the real heads of the syndicate, the men who are making the real money out of the girl-mothers.

Mrs. Mills, keeper of the "house of mystery," has given the police an important statement. With this to guide him Officer John Stage has been working on the case.

O'Reilly is confident of getting sufficient evidence to raid a house in Oak Park now under observation. To this house come the rich unmarried mothers.

A girl in that condition will pay any price for secrecy. And they are made pay it. In some cases, it is declared, girls go to the "farm" as soon as their pregnancy becomes apparent and they live there until after the birth of the child, meanwhile forking over a small fortune to "farm" heads.

Sheriff Zimmer might be called up-

on to assist in the extermination of the farms. Several of the oldest doctors, who practice in that manner, long ago became afraid of the police and took up their quarters in the suburbs, beyond the jurisdiction of the Chicago police department.

If any raids are made on these places it will be by the deputy sheriffs, working out of Zimmer's office.

O'Reilly is laying all plans to ensnare the heads of the syndicate. He is being somewhat baffled by the refusals of the mothers, who have delivered children at the farms, to talk.

A girl living on the South Side was placed under surveillance, but when asked to make a statement, which the police believed would have completely proved the existence of a syndicate, she balked and refused point blank to make any exposure.

The state board of health will also take part in the fight and right now the member are seeking the identity of any licensed physician who is interested in the syndicate.

HEARD AT DINNER

They aren't dancing the tango any more. If you know the one-step you can get along very well.

Walking is a terrible exertion, but I could dance all night without fatigue.

I think a vaudeville show now and then is very restful.

I never play for high stakes.

Why, I've played until 4 in the morning and never lost more than \$1.40.

I am very sorry for the I. W. W.'s; but of course they can't be allowed to destroy life and property.

I go to the opera every week.

Oh! I am very, very fond of it.

One must, however, cultivate a taste for that kind of music.

Isn't some of our dance music beautiful. The maxixe, especially?

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